



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capitol
Boise

WHEREAS, ovarian Cancer, the fifth most common cause of fatal cancer in women in the United States, is a serious and under-recognized threat to women's health across the nation; and

WHEREAS, ovarian Cancer causes more deaths than any other cancer of the female reproductive system; and

WHEREAS, there will be an estimated 26,500 new cases of ovarian cancer diagnosed in the U.S. and an estimated 16,090 deaths of women already stricken by ovarian Cancer in the U.S. in 2004, and

WHEREAS, ovarian cancer is treatable when detected early, before it has spread beyond the ovaries, and at this stage the 5-year survival rate can be 95%; and

WHEREAS, there is no screening test currently for the early detection of ovarian cancer; and

WHEREAS, increased awareness of the symptoms and risk factors of ovarian cancer will enhance chances of early detection of illness; and

WHEREAS, more ovarian cancer research can help to develop reliable diagnostics, better therapies, and prevention strategies, thereby offering women in Idaho each year the opportunity to win against this most deadly of all gynecologic cancers;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim September 2005, to be

OVARIAN CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

in Idaho.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this seventeenth day of August in the year of our Lord two-thousand and five and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirtieth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred sixteenth.

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DIRK KEMPTHORNE
GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature of Devin Isukua in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

DEVIN ISUKUA
SECRETARY OF STATE